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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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Please replace paragraph [0035] of the specification as published August 26, 2004 as Publication Number 2004/0164040 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0035] For an understanding of the arrangement of the roller chain bearing 100 and its interaction with the post 5 or, more specifically, the post bearing surface 5, reference is now made to FIG. 5, which is a cross-section plan view of half of the post 5 and machine deck 50 taken across section line AA in FIG. 2. FIG. 5 shows half of a roller chain bearing 100 that, in one embodiment, forms a 180-degree arc about the outer surface of the post 5. FIG. 5 also shows a boom foot 22 located at approximately the two o'clock position. This boom foot 22 is one of the two boom feet 22 mounted on the machine deck 50. FIG. 5 also shows back rollers 90, 95 located at the four-thirty and six o'clock positions and structural reinforcement 101 on the interior circumference of the post 5. The back rollers 90, 95 are two of the three back rollers 90, 95 mounted on the machine deck. In other embodiments of the invention, there may be a greater or lesser number of back rollers 90, 95. For example, in one embodiment, the first back roller 90 (i.e., the back roller at the six o'clock position) is not present. The structural reinforcement 101 allows the post bearing surface 5 to withstand the loads exerted on the post bearing surface 5 by the rollers 105 of the roller chain bearing 100 and the back rollers 90, 95. --

Please replace paragraph [0042] of the specification as published August 26, 2004 as Publication Number 2004/0164040 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0042] Another means of preventing vertical displacement of the roller chain bearing 100 is illustrated in FIG. 8, which is a lateral cross-section elevation view of the roller chain bearing 100, wherein the view cuts across the pivot link plates 110 between two rollers 105. As shown in FIG. 8, the rollers 105 of the roller chain bearing 100 have flanges 175 for mating with a rail 180 encircling the outer circumference of the post 5. The rail 180 serves as a post bearing surface. In another embodiment, the roller 105 has a double inclined face for mating with a rail 180 having a V profile. In other embodiments, the roller 105 and rail 180 will have a circle segment or other cross-sectional profiles that will allow the bearing surface of the roller 105 and rail 180 to mate, align and prevent vertical displacement of the roller chain bearing 100 along the outer circumference of the post 5. —